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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents. Total Pages 201

1. 🛛 Specification :_⊠ Drawing(s) (35USC 113) Total Pages _ 38

> **Declaration and Power of Attorney** Total Pages __2

Unexecuted(original or copy) Copy from prior application (37CFR 1.63(d))

(for continuation/divisional with Box 14 completed)

[Note Box 4 Below] **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**

Signed statement attached deleting Inventor(s) named in the prior

application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b). Incorporation By Reference (usable if Box 3b is checked) The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which

> copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 3b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by r derence therein.

ACCOMPANYING	APPLICATION	PARTS

5. 🔲 Assignment Papers (cover sheet & documentation)

6. 🛛 Letter under 37 CFR 1.41(c).

English Translation Document to follow (if applicable)

Copies of IDS Information Disclosure Citations Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449

9. 🛛 **Preliminary Amendment**

10. **Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)** (Should be specifically itemized)

Small Entity Statement filed in prior Application, Status still proper and desired Statement(s)

12. Certified copy of Japanese priority document No. P2001-036441 filed February 14, 2001.

#14. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information:

☑ Continuation ☐ Divisional

Continuation-in-part (CIP)

of prior application No:

CLAIMS AS FILED					
	(1) FOR	(2) NUMBER FILED	(3) NUMBER EXTRA	(4) RATE	(5) BASIC FEE \$740.00
	TOTAL CLAIMS	131	111	\$18.00	1,998.00
	INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	6	3	84.00	252.00
		ANY MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS? YES		280.00	280.00
				TOTAL FEE	\$3,270.00

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RE: New U.S. Application for Letters Patent entitled "METHOD AND

APPARATUS FOR FORMING A THIN SEMICONDUCTOR FILM,

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PRODUCING A SEMICONDUCTOR

DEVICE, AND ELECTRO-OPTICAL APPARATUS"

Applicant(s): Hideo Yamanaka, et al. Attorney Docket No. 09792909-5337

Dear Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.41(c), I am filing the attached application, including 131 claims (6 independent w/multiple), 38 sheets of drawings (Figs. 1-27C) and the filing fee of \$3,270.00 on behalf of

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and request that the application be assigned a serial number and filing date pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) and 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d).

Very truly yours,

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